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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Al Munro

Many of you will receive membership cards and payment receipts with this issue of 'Timber Talk'. Last year, I ran out of blank cards and gave Ross the cards that were prepared at the time as well as all of the receipts I had. Ross sent these cards and receipts out with 'Timber Talk'. This year, in order to catch up, many members will receive year 2005 cards but no receipts, as well as year 2006 membership cards and receipts. I have again run out of cards this year. I have ordered more cards but, in the meantime, have been able to prepare membership cards for all but one or two members. Several members, including some members in the Calgary area, have received their cards directly from me. If you have any queries concerning the status of your membership or membership cards, please contact me by e-mail at wood5cents@shaw.ca or telephone me at 403-273-6133 or write to me at Box 2643 Station 'M', Calgary, AB, T2P 3C1.

My wife, Marion and I attended the *Winnipeg Coin Show* on the May 13th weekend. I was hoping that I would acquire numerous Manitoba 'wooden nickels' at the show but unfortunately I did not find any, other than several copies of a personal wood issued by Matthew Sztym, a 16 year old dealer from Red Deer, Alberta. I arranged for Matt to donate enough wooden nickels for inclusion in a future issue of 'Timber Talk'.

I did acquire several woods at antique shops and flea markets, so the wooden nickel portion of the trip was not a total loss.

Don't forget *our C.A.W.M.C. annual meeting* at the *Niagara Falls C.N.A. convention on Sunday July 23rd*. Hope to see you there. Good luck in your collecting efforts.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS & RECEIPTS:

As President Al mentions above, all membership cards and receipts received from him are enclosed with this 'Timber Talk'. If there are concerns, Al's various addresses are above.

IN THIS "TIMBER TALK":

The 2006 Niagara Falls C.N.A. convention "Registration Form" is reprinted on pages 5 & 6. This should be sent off a.s.a.p. to ensure receipt of the kit and to sign up for specific events at the convention. The detailed "Schedule Of Events" will be reprinted in 'Timber Talk' next month. On page 3 are shown all of the 'woods' issued at the recent (April) O.N.A. convention. Once again, 'Thanks', to David Phillips, who has another interesting article, from Alaska, on page four.

PAST PRESIDENTS:

Garry Braunwarth – 1975-1977

Victor Hall – 1977-1979

Don Robb – 1979-1981

Stan Clute – 1981-1983

Neil Probert – 1983-1985

Norm Belsten – 1985-1991

Pat White – 1991-1995

Lou Vesh – 1995-2001

Earl Salterio – 2001-2003

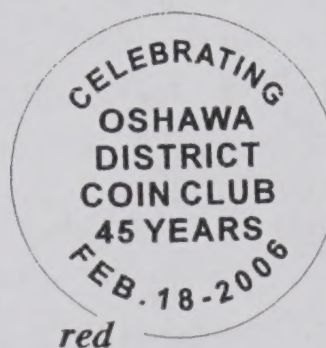
Norm Belsten – 2003-2005

TWO NEW WOODS:

Congratulations to long-time C.A.W.M.C. member, **George Fraser and his wife Doris**, on celebrating their **65th wedding anniversary**. This wood was issued to recognize the occasion.



Congratulations also to the **Oshawa District Coin Club** which recently celebrated its **45 years** of existence. Two hundred of these woods, made by Norm Belsten were issued for the occasion.

**CAWMC OFFICERS**

President: AL MUNRO
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 Auction Coordinator: AL MUNRO

DUES: Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors are:

Canadian Residents: \$10.00 Canadian Funds
 United States Residents: \$10.00 U.S. Funds
 International Members Rate (outside of Canada and U.S.): \$20.00 Canadian Funds
 Youth (16 years of age and under): \$5.00

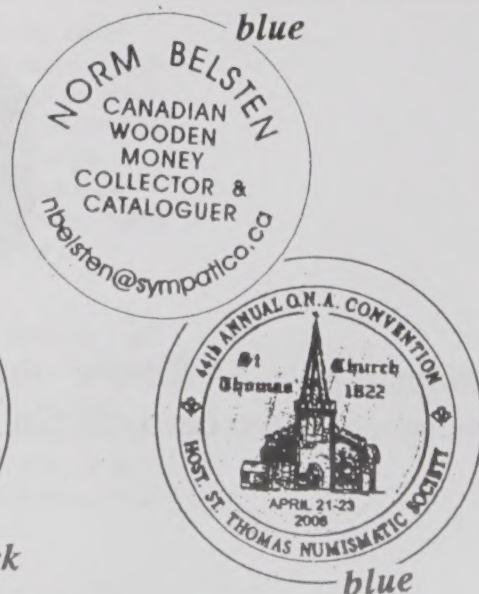
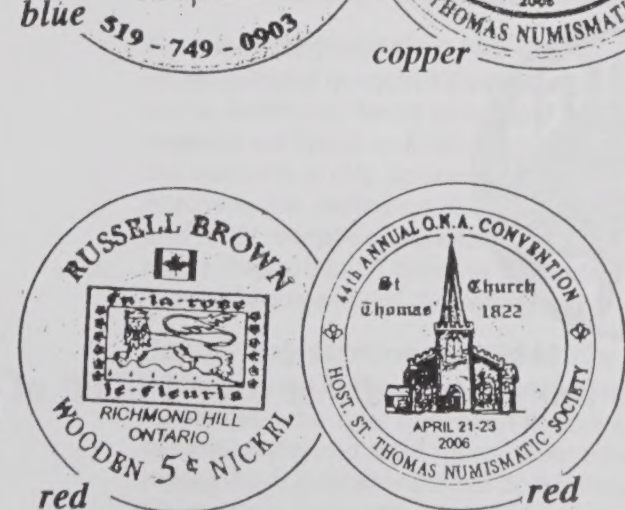
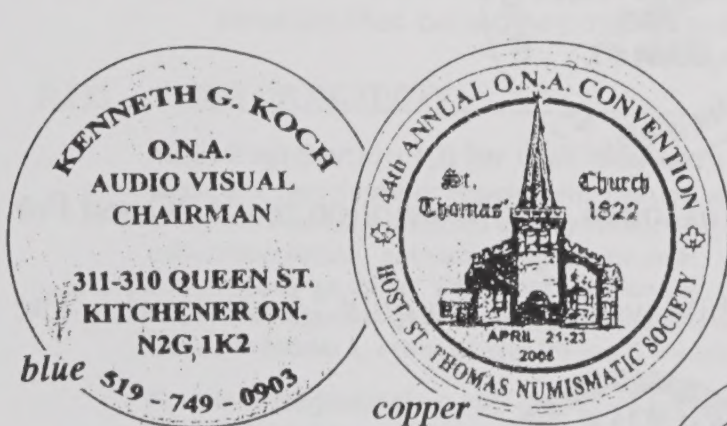
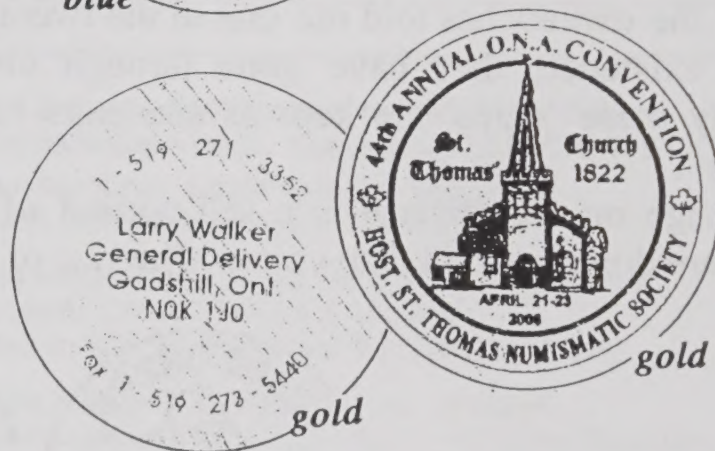
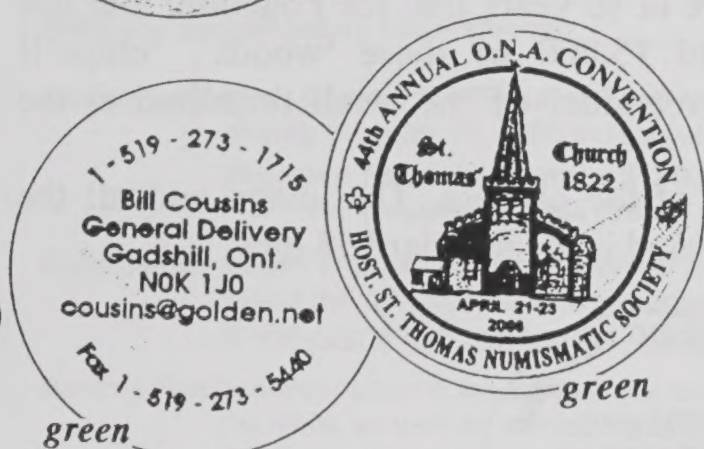
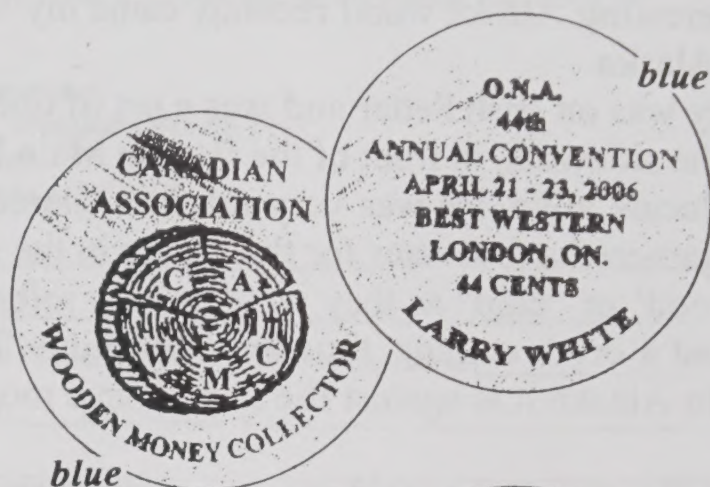
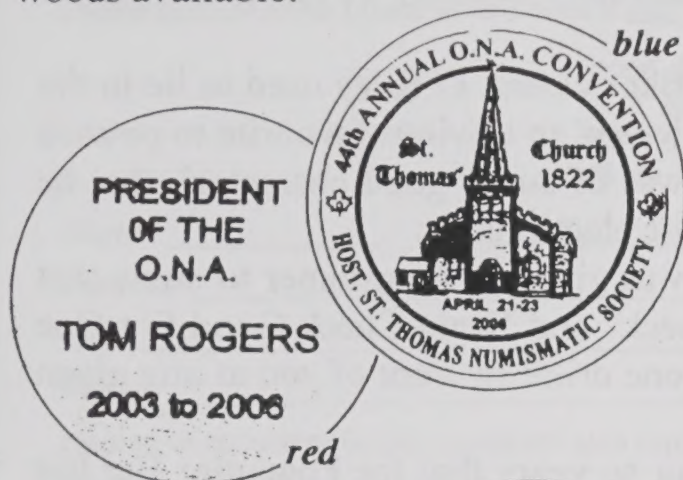
Dues paid to Mr. Al Munro, Box 2643 Stn. 'M', Calgary, AB, Canada T2P 3C1

FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH:

This month's 'free wood' is the *third* in a series of woods promoting the up-coming *C.N.A. convention in Niagara Falls, Ontario*. C.A.W.M.C. member, *John Regitko* is General Manager of this convention. 'Thank You' to John and the C.N.A. for this wood donation.

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION "WOODS":

For the April O.N.A. convention, held in London, Ontario, I believe there were nine souvenir 'woods' issued. They are shown here with colours. I assume they would be available from the actual issuers of each wood, but I expect that there would be no more of the 'Tom Rogers' woods available.



ALASKAN CHRONICLE: - continued - by David Phillips**FOGCUTTER BAR:**

An interesting Alaska wood recently came my way. It is from "O'Riley's Fogcutter Bar" in Haines, Alaska.

O'Riley was an Irish Setter and was a pet of one of the Bar owners. O'Riley used to lie in the sun, on the sidewalk, in front of the Bar, on Main Street. He was an obvious favourite to patrons and the locals alike. He was very much, a character, or was of such 'good character', that he usually garnered a few votes for the Mayor in the local civic elections!

The 'wood' or "chip" as they were usually referred to, was given to a customer to show that he/she had a drink coming, thus the inscription "Rain Check" and 'Rain Check Good For One Drink'. In Alaska it is against the law to have more than one drink in front of you at any given time.

One of the owners has told me that in the twenty-five or so years that the Fogcutter Bar has been in existence, they have gone through close to 15,000 of these 'woods', 'chips'!! Obviously these 'chips' are kept as souvenirs "as a reminder of the swell time had at the Fogcutter".

The image on the obverse is a self-portrait of one of the owners. The image and all the printing are done in a mid blue colour. The size of the wood is the standard 38 mm.



This same 'Fogcutter Bar' has also a substantial *metal* token. It's inscription reads "Good For One Premium Cocktail At The Fogcutter Bar".

These *metal* tokens have a blue background with white writing and a gold '1 Cocktail'. The 'helmsman at the wheel' is also a gold colour.



Interestingly, "O'Riley's" does not appear on this token. I'm informed that over 15,000 of these tokens have been distributed over the years, as well.

CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION - 2006

NIAGARA FALLS – July 20 – 23, 2006 – Sheraton Fallsview Hotel & Convention Centre

C.N.A. 2006 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete this registration form and send it along with a cheque or money order payable to C.N.A. 2006 Convention. (postdated cheques dated on or before June 13, 2006 will be accepted). Deadline for registration at these guaranteed prices is July 3, 2006.

2006 C.N.A. Convention
P.O. Box 58508, Sheppard Centre P.O.
4841 Yonge Street
North York, Ontario M2N 6R7

Name: _____ CNA #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov./State: _____ Postal/Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Names of spouse or family members also registering: _____

Note any special dietary requirements: _____

Accommodation: Contact the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel & Convention Centre in Niagara Falls, Ontario directly by June 16, 2006 to receive special convention rates. Quote group code CNA719
Sheraton Fallsview Hotel – \$169.00 Canadian funds, single or double occupancy
Via Telephone – Toll Free ~ 1-877-353-2557 or Local ~ 905-374-1077

Exhibitors: Please indicate here if you intend to exhibit competitively so we can mail or e-mail the appropriate exhibitor application form. Or visit the C.N.A. Website at www.canadian-numismatic.org (then click on "Conventions" and the "CNA 2006" link) **YES/NO**

Bourse dealers: Your bourse fee entitles you entry to the bourse for yourself and one assistant per table, as well as admission to the RCM Reception and the President's Welcome Reception. It does not include a registration kit. If a dealer wishes to acquire a convention medal or other items detailed below, they must place an order via this form, at the appropriate additional cost.

QTY.	ITEM OR ACTIVITY	COST
.....	Main Registration Kit for CNA Members @ \$50 or Non-CNA Members @ \$85 (Note that non-member registrations include all benefits of membership, including 10 issues of the CN Journal published during 2006). Registration kit includes copper convention medal, convention ribbon, souvenir program booklet, three days admission to bourse/exhibits, souvenir bourse dollar, President's Welcome reception, souvenir collectible wooden tokens, Royal Canadian Mint reception, unlimited visits to the hospitality suite, casino & video arcade tokens of Niagara, other casino tokens & much, much more.	\$.....
.....	Spousal Registration Kit @\$40 (must be add-on to above Main Kit). Includes most material found in main kit with the exception of the convention medal and other numismatic items; additional items includes 7 collectible catalogues by Charlton Press, as well as other material not found in Main Registration Kit. <i>Guarantee: if you are not completely satisfied with the contents of this Spousal Registration Kit and other benefits derived as a result of its purchase (i.e. unlimited visits to the Hospitality Suite, admission to the bourse/exhibit room and RCM reception, collectible books, other content), return it to us at the Registration Table at the Registration Table the same day you picked it up or the following morning for a "no-questions-asked" full refund.</i>	\$.....
.....	Junior Registration Kit @\$40 (for collectors 16 years old or younger). Includes all material found in the main kit, including the copper convention medal; also includes additional numismatic material not found in above kits such as catalogues, wooden nickels, tokens, decimal coins and a lot more. <i>Guarantee: this kit is so "worthwhile" that we are offering a full money-back guarantee if not completely satisfied with its contents. Simply return it to us at the Registration Table the same day as you picked it up or the following morning for a "no-questions-Asked" full refund. Only 25 kits available.</i>	\$.....

Total this page (enter this amount on next page) \$.....

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.....	Total from preceding page	\$.....
.....	Silver C.N.A. 2006 Convention Medal @ \$40 (limited edition sterling silver)	\$.....
.....	Extra Copper C.N.A. 2006 Convention Medal @ \$20 (note that one is included with Main and Young Numismatist Registration Kits)	\$.....
.....	C.N.A. Canadian Coin Grading & Preservation Workshop @ \$75; \$40 for anyone under the age of 18 – Thursday, July 20 - 8:30 am to 5:00 p.m. (features Brian Cornwell on "Grading and Counterfeit Detection" and Susan Maltby on "Coin and Paper Money Preservation"). Includes copy of Charlton/Haxby Grading book, handouts from the instructors, coffee & donuts. Restricted to 20 participants only. To attend, you must be a member of the C.N.A. for 2006 and be registered for the 2006 C.N.A. Convention	\$.....
.....	CPMS Luncheon @ \$25 – Friday, July 21 – noon (includes meal & annual meeting)	\$.....
.....	Royal Canadian Mint Reception - Friday, July 21 - 6 pm For Registrants, bourse dealers and their legitimate assistants and spouses only. Admission by 2006 C.N.A. Convention Registration or Bourse badges only.	N/C
.....	CNRS Breakfast @ \$20 (CNRS members only) – Sat, July 22 – 8 am	\$.....
.....	C.N.A. Club Delegates' Breakfast @ \$20 – Sat. July 22 – 8 am Includes free collectible books for all clubs whose delegate is pre-registered; free draws for both delegate and club that are pre-registered). Note that one set of hand-outs only will be presented to the individual representing more than one club. It will be up to the clubs that appointed the individual to determine the distribution of the give-aways. If more than one person is representing a club, the club will be entitled to one free set only. Give-aways only available to local coin clubs, not regional/national groups.	\$.....
.....	C.N.A. Banquet @ \$60; Juniors \$40 – Sat. July 22 – 6:30 pm 101-item all-you-can-eat buffet including roast beef, chicken, salmon, lasagna and beef stroganoff, includes draws for a number of "worthwhile" door prizes & other surprises	\$.....
.....	CAWMC Breakfast @ \$20 – Sun. July 23 – 8:00 am Includes plated breakfast of bacon and eggs, roast potatoes, toast & coffee; free Wooden token souvenirs and other surprises	\$.....
.....	Tour of Niagara-on-the-Lake and Inniskillin Winery @ \$30 if Registered, \$50 if not Registered Friday, July 21 – 10:30 a.m. (includes bus, tour of Winery and surprises)	\$.....
.....	Niagara Falls Tour @ \$30 if Registered, \$50 if not registered such as spouse Sat. – 1:00 p.m. (guided bus tour to Niagara sights such as Brock Monument, Laura Secord Monument, Floral Clock, Sir Adam Beck Power Generating Station, Whirlpool, Botanical Gardens, Horticultural Floral Hothouses; also includes admission to Butterfly Museum or Aviary Bird Museum. At the conclusion of the tour participants will be dropped off at either the convention hotel, at the Maid of the Mist boat tour entrance, or at the entrance to the Table Rock tour. Fees for the Maid of the Mist boat tour or the Table Rock tour underneath and behind the falls are the responsibility of each participant.	\$.....

Note: Tours are subject to cancellation due to lack of minimum number of participants.

TOTAL \$.....

Please make cheque payable to "2006 C.N.A. Convention" and send it, along with a copy of this form, to 2006 C.N.A. Convention, P.O. Box 58508, Sheppard Centre P.O., 4841 Yonge Street, North York, Ontario M2N 6R7

Early Bird Draw for Pre-Registrants of Main Registration Kits

To assist us in our planning, you are encouraged to register early. As motivation, we will be conducting a draw 30 days prior to the start of the Convention for all people registered at that time for a Main Registration. The draw prize consists of a refund of the \$50 registration fee, which will be presented to the winner when he/she picks up their registration kit at the 2006 Convention. It might "pay" to register early! In addition, we will also draw for a number of \$5.00 bourse coupons.

For further information on the 2006 C.N.A. Convention, go to the C.N.A. Website at www.canadian-numismatic.org and click on "Events" and "Conventions."

For further information on other events taking place in Niagara Falls and nearby points of interest, go to the Niagara Falls Tourism Website at www.niagarafalls.com.

Register early to assure that we are not sold out for any of the events in which you wish to participate!